

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Yoshinobu Hashizume, et al. EXAMINER :

SERIAL NO. : ART UNIT :

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FOR : Alpha Aryl or Heteroaryl Methyl Beta Piperidino Propanamide Compounds
As ORL1-Receptor Antagonists

Preliminary Amendment

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.